

The Michigan Association of Timbermen

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Michigan House of Representatives
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee
Chairman Wayne Schmidt
Vice Chairman Ben Glardon
P.O. Box 30014
Lansing, MI 48909-7514

Dear Sirs,

Regarding the recent draft of the Substitute for House Bill 4632, specifically page 8. The Michigan Association of Timbermen **STRONGLY OPPOSES** the increase from 74 cents per 100 pounds of empty weight to 50% of the registration tax provided under subdivision (A) (ii) for a commercial motor vehicle of the same weight.

Our logging and trucking members will see a 300% increase in their registration tax under this new draft. This is an unacceptable increase that will further cut into the viability of our forest industry members that have fixed prices for their commodity and no ability to spread this increased cost to their customers.

Again, we **STRONGLY OPPOSE** this substitute for HB 4632 and urge you to vote NO on moving this bill from committee to the House and Senate.

Sincerely,



Brenda Owen, Executive Director

